

Charlotte:

Friday, October 27, 1837.

IF we could take our paper last week, an article from the Raleigh Register, stating that Thomas G. Blythe, the murderer of a negro some years ago near Chester, B. C. had been arrested. We have since then, a friend, that the press murder, of late from Mecklenburg county, and was named Wm. Hamilton. We also understand that Moses Shanks, the assassin of the sheriff is still living in this county, and was found out by an attendant at the County Jail, and is now in the Mecklenburg Jail.

IF Mrs. J. J. is now to be released in the gallery of the House of Representatives, as well as the gallery of the Senate, as by her representation in Congress. The result of the election held in that State on the 11th, gives the following state of parties in her Legislature:

In the Council, 18 Whigs, 8 V. B. House of Representatives, 35 Whigs, 18 V. B. Giving a Whig majority, on joint ballot, of nineteen. The majority in the last Legislature was but of twelve on the other side.

IF The Seminole War.—The latest accounts from Florida, are of the capture of Wild Cat, King, Philip's son, and three other Indians of considerable note, with eight runaway negroes. Gen. Jessup had issued the following General Order: Head Quarters, Army of the South, St. Augustine, Sept. 27.

Par. I. The Major General commanding, returns his thanks to Brigadier General Hernandez, and the Officers and Troops of his command, both Regulars and Volunteers, for their excellent conduct in the late expedition South.

A force of more than 100 men, have killed and captured 24 Indians and negroes, among the former, 3 principal and important chiefs, whose loss to the enemy will be irreparable, and several Indians and negroes who will be most valuable as guides to the army.

The Major General assures Brig. Gen. Hernandez of his appreciation of the services he so promptly and ably rendered, and he gallantly carried out; and he commends him and his command to the success of the enterprise, a success which cannot but have an auspicious influence on the future operations of the army. By order of Maj. Gen. Jessup J. A. CHAMBERS A. D. C. & A. G.

IF A terrible gas occurred at New Orleans on Friday and Saturday the 24th and 25th. Several houses were blown down, and a great deal of injury done to other property. Considerable injury was sustained by the shipping, and a steamboat was sunk. At Lake Pontchartrain, about 7 miles from the city, the destruction is still greater. Several houses were destroyed, and several of the best steamboats were sunk, and others forced on shore, from which they cannot be got off. The waters of the Lake rose as high as to cover the marshes in the rear of the city, and to land some of the principal streets of New Orleans.

The Senator John L. Hunter, arrived at New Orleans, reports that the crops of cotton, sugar and corn on both sides of the Mississippi, from mouth of Red River down are completely prostrated, in much so that a continuous stream of corn is being washed running over the fields.—*Reg. Dis.*

IF The King's Business.—It was a pungent remark of Mr. Adams, (the other day), on the question of adjournment, that if it was the intention of members to do the "King's Business"—that is, pass the money bills—and that only, he was ready to adjourn at once. He thought they had done enough, and that the adjournment and Treasury note bills were for the benefit of the Government alone, and had not the slightest tendency to relieve the people. Mr. A. declared his opinion that it was not intended the Division bill should pass—and that was the reason was pressed with so much business.—*Reg. Dis.*

IF The late Gov. Burton.—Our readers will recollect that shortly after the death of the late Gov. Burton, a year or two ago, it was stated that a letter had been found among his papers, from Gen. Jackson, offering him the appointment of Governor of Texas. The statement was afterward contradicted by the Executor of the deceased. The statement is revived, and the fact established, it appears by the following extract from a late speech of Mr. Adams:

"I have very strong reason to believe, further, (said Mr. A.) that at one time the late Executive of the United States was decided in an expectation that the Mexican Government were ready to make a cession of territory to the United States; and, indeed, in one of the documents lately communicated to this House, the Minister from Texas affirms, to the Secretary of State, that the late Executive of the United States was so confident of the acquisition of Texas, that he offered to Mr. Hutchins G. Burton, of North Carolina, the commission of Governor of that Territory."

There is much more and much to say. On Monday morning through a world of error, I have not kept this longer, if I would, have, when I wish to spend time, I should have been better off, if I had not been so long. I now believe, what I have often said, that there are what is needed by Jackson's side.

IF Young Crockett.—Considerable interest has been felt in the case of the late David Crockett, recently elected to Congress from Tennessee, on account of the poverty and imbecility of his father, declared as he was with respect to it. We perceive that he made his debut at Washington, a few days since, and acquitted himself with credit. He showed on which side of the fence he stands, by the spirit and energy with which he assailed the Administration and its policy. Among the good things of the day was his comparison of the country, Mr. Van Buren gave to the people in his Message, to the capitol administered to John, by his wife, when she made him *curse his Mother and die!* He expressed his regret that, as far as respects the Country, the gentleman who professed to tread in the footsteps of General Jackson, had not taken the back track. He gave a fling at Douglas, of Ohio, who said, the other day, that there was no suffering or embarrassment in his section of the country. "The gentleman," said young Crockett, "must stand solitary and alone."—*Reg. Dis.*

SOUTHERN CONVENTION OF MERCHANTS.

Agreeable to public notice, the Convention of Merchants and others assembled in the Masonic Hall yesterday at 12 o'clock. The meeting was organized by calling Ker Boyce, Esq. of Charleston, to the Chair, and the appointment of Andrew J. Miller as Secretary. After which the Secretary proceeded to call over the names of the members in attendance, which were as follows:

SOUTH CAROLINA.
Geo. McDuffie, W. W. Starke, James Adger, Ker Boyce, R. W. Fort, And. Wallace, J. Wright, J. Colbert, W. Barnwell, S. G. Barkeley, F. DeLina, L. Davis, J. L. Pearson.

GEORGIA.
Augusta.—John Phinney, John Bates, H. H. Cumming, B. H. Warren, Robert F. Fox, A. J. Miller, A. Johnston, G. W. Crawford, Peter Bennoch, James Harper, A. Sibley, W. M. D'Antignac, F. M. Robertson, Robert Campbell, Haynes Bowdler, A. Cumming, C. J. Jenkins, D. W. St. John, Samuel Hale, John M. Adams, John Kerr, W. H. Holt, E. Hall, Paul Fitzsimmons.

Savannah.—Jos. Cumming, John Cumming, S. B. Parkman, Benj. E. Styles, D. L. Adams. Augusta.—W. Jennings, R. Pope, W. L. Mitchell, S. C. A. Fraser, W. Brown. Columbus.—J. H. Howard, T. Hoxie, Sen. Jones, W. P. Young, E. F. Foster, T. Prastin, Jr. V. A. Gailard.

Macon.—A. A. Chappell, J. T. Rowland. Milledgeville.—J. A. Cuthbert, A. H. Keenan, B. K. Hiles.

Sparta.—R. S. Sayr, J. L. Swinney, N. C. Sayr. Madison.—N. G. Foster, W. A. Shields. Thomasville.—A. J. White, E. McPherson, W. A. Cobb.

Louisville.—J. W. M. Berrin, P. E. Conoley, D. E. Bethwell. Brunswick.—T. Butler King. Cranfordville.—T. D. Rice, Pierce O'Leary, J. L. Baker.

On motion of the Honorable George McDuffie, Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the business for which the Convention was assembled, and to make a report thereon.

The Convention then adjourned to 4 o'clock, P. M., to enable the President to select said committee.

Form O'Clock.
The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. On motion of Mr. Bates, it was ordered that suitable seats be provided for each of the officers in Augusta as desired to take minutes of the proceedings of the Convention.

The President called on each member as he had arrived since the adjournment of the morning to come forward and sign their names, whereupon the following gentlemen came forward: J. M. Gaudier, Esq. of Sparta; A. Young, Esq. of Camden, S. C.; and J. W. Baskwell, Esq. of Louisville, Georgia.

The President then read a letter from Columbus, Miss., signed by all the merchants of that place, approving of the object of the Convention, which, on motion, was laid on the table. The President then announced the following gentlemen as the Committee appointed under the resolution of Gen. McDuffie:

Gen. G. McDuffie, of Abbeville. Joseph Cumming, of Savannah. T. Butler King, of Brunswick. William Baskwell, of Athens. J. A. Cuthbert, of Milledgeville. Nathan Jones, of Columbus. A. Johnston, of Augusta. B. H. Cumming, of Augusta. A. H. Chappell, of Macon. A. Wallace, of Columbia. James Colbert, of Charleston. W. W. Starke, of Hamburg. Alex. Black, of Charleston.

It was moved by John Boyce, Esq., and seconded by the Hon. George McDuffie, that when this Convention adjourns to adjourn to meet to-morrow morning, at eleven o'clock, at the Presbyterian Church.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

IF Condition of the U. S. Bank.—Great efforts have been made to show that this Institution is insolvent. The following comparative statements will show how much more stable it is than the late Bank in the Union:

	1837	1836
The notes of the new bank out, except the post notes at long dates, issued to individuals during the late troubles, amount to	\$681,403 33	
The notes of the late Bank out, to	\$1,725,561 05	
Total	\$2,406,964 38	
The specie amount to	\$2,406,964 38	
The comparison of these items with the notes, showing particularly of some other banks, is published, under the following heads:		
Circulation.	Specie.	
The bank of the U. S.	\$2,406,964 38	\$2,406,964 38
The 1st Bank of the State of New York	18,000,000 00	2,731,400 00
The 2d Virginia Bank and branches.	2,000,000 00	\$21,864 75

IF A bill had been introduced into the Legislature of Tennessee to incorporate a Bank (amount of capital not mentioned) to be based upon the funds and credit of the State! The fate of the

measure, (says the Nashville Banner) is singularly uncertain. We have thought that we had almost by too many Banks, we have that the Legislature of Tennessee will make in the same institution, unless they mean to "undo the Bank." Mr. Calhoun intended in 1834, by the incorporation of one which will swallow up the remainder!—*Lynchburg Virginian.*

IF An Acrostic.—We are not admirers of Acrostics, but we copy the following as one of the best that we have seen: Who worships Truth, and dares the truth to tell, In times when flattery falsehood thrives so well? Some fool, no doubt, a thriving flatterer cries; Even so—but Truth declares that man is Wise.

IF Mr. Gilmer is said to be elected Governor of Georgia by a majority of 7 or 800—a gain by the party of nearly four thousand, since the election of 1833. Mr. Gilmer is a State Rights man, and totally opposed to the sub-treasury and divorce.

IF Gross and Weighty Matters.—Reader! what think you of the gross and weighty matters, which Mr. Van Buren summoned Congress together to consider, at an inconvenient and unusual period of the year? They were

1. To defend the people of more than nine million of dollars, coming to them under the Deposits Act.
2. To issue Ten Millions of Government Ship Plasters.
3. To pay Congressmen eight dollars a day in GOLD, and other public creditors in RAGS!—*Reg. Dis.*

IF We have received from Mr. Calhoun, and shall publish, as soon as possible, his second Speech on the Finances. We observe that it is "printed at the Globe Office." This was not so until now—and yet we are told by Mr. Calhoun himself, in this very speech that he has "changed no relation, personal or political." He certainly seems to be in high favor at the Globe Office now, although it has not been two years since that journal asserted that Mr. Calhoun "would never tell the truth if a falsehood would answer his purpose." If Mr. Calhoun has not changed, we suppose the Globe has.—*Lynchburg Virginian.*

Indian Character.—A Michigan paper says: "A Chief, on his return from the payment, called at one of the taverns and partook of a splendid dinner, asking and obtaining every luxury in the city. After he had finished, he stepped to the bar, paid his bill, and gave the landlord 25 cents, for which he said he wanted some pieces of old meat and bread. These he carried to the door and distributed among his wife and six children, who took them with remarkable complacency."

Texas.—The Baltimore Chronicle learns, from good authority, that at the regular session of Congress, Mr. Calhoun will bring forward a distinct proposition for the annexation of Texas to the U. States, and that his views on this subject will be made to assume such a form as to involve the Union of the States in a decision of the question. This will doubtless be the great topic next winter.—*Lynchburg Virginian.*

Original Anecdote.—In a city not a thousand miles from this place, while a celebrated music master was trying the tune of an Upright Piano, which had just been received in one of the musical stores of that place, a couple of waggoners from the backwoods were passing by. One of them peculiarly struck with it, had stopped to listen to the melodious air which the master was running over; the other having passed on some considerable distance before he missed his comrade, called out,—"Hallo! Bill, what are you stopping there for?" "By golly, Jim," exclaimed the other, "just come here and look how this 'ere feller is grabbling music out o' this 'ere cubbard."—*Irwinston (Ala.) Herald.*

Extraordinary Product of a single seed.—Mr. Samuel Prowell, of Newberry township York county, Pennsylvania raised this season, from a single pumpkin seed, six pumpkins, of the following weights: the largest weighed 105, the others 129, 85, 73, 64, and 39 pounds—the aggregate weight of the yield being five hundred and fifty-five pounds!

Death of Botta the historian.—We learn from one of our foreign journals, that Charles Botta, the author of several well known historical works, lately died, after a long and painful illness. He was a native of Piedmont, and was distinguished for his talents and excellent character. His principle works are "the History of the War of the Independence of the U. States," "the History of Italy from 1789 to 1814," and "the History of Italy continued from Goicardina." He is the author also of some poetical works of merit, among which is the "Soiree of Voies." The journal from which we derive the notice of this event, remarks that from the animated style of Botta as a historian, he has acquired the name of the Livy of our age.

A Jacky Extraordinary.—A few days since, a party of boys having gone into Lord Roke's park in search of Buck's horns, on entering the Deer shed, saw two Bucks lying down to all appearance dead. One of the lads immediately leaped astride one of them, taking hold of the horns with the intention of separating them; but scarcely was he seated, when the Buck (which had merely retired there to rest) started upon its feet, bounded from the shed, carrying the as-

sembled youth with the greatest velocity over hill and dale, a distance of nearly two miles, and having in the course of the ride, a pond of considerable width, before the lad fell from his seat. The boy is 14 years old, and weighs 72 lbs.

Quaker appearance.—A Quaker, calling at the residence of a distinguished Quaker, to serve a writ was refused admittance. He said in the servant, "Your master is at home, but he will not see me." He has seen thee, friend," said Abigail. "but he does not like thy appearance."

DIED.
In this county, on the 18th instant, Mrs. MARY GARET NEEL, widow of Col. Samuel Neel, and daughter of the late Thomas Grier, Esq. deceased, aged 56 years.

In Rutherford county, on the 26th ultimo, Mr. WILLIAM HOLLAND, aged 34 years, formerly of Mecklenburg county.

Post Office Notice.

ALL persons who fail to pay their Postage Account when called on, will get no more Letters or Papers without the same. I am determined to adhere to this rule—moreover, all postage must be paid in SPECIE, according to the instructions from the P. M. General.

H. B. WILLIAMS, P. M.

Oct. 25, 1837.

Wanted,
1,000 BUSHELS of CORN, for which the cash will be paid.
GEORGE CROSS.

Oct. 26, 1837.

Last Warning!

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Wm. M. Neely, dec'd., are requested to make payment between this time and the first of January next. Those who do not avail themselves of this notice will find their notes placed in the hands of an officer, without discrimination, for collection.

JAMES PORTER, Guardian.

Oct. 30, 1837.

NOTICE.

BROKE out of my pasture, a short time since, a small black horse, about 4 years old, a small blaze in his face. Said horse is understood to have come to Charlotte, where he had formerly been kept some time, and was rode off by some one. He belongs to Hamilton O. Martin. Any person taking up said horse and leaving him at Mr. Spring's Store shall be satisfied for their trouble.

MARY TEFFAFAUGH.

Oct. 25, 1837.

Taken Up

AND committed to the Jail of Mecklenburg county, on the 24th instant, a negro boy named OLMSTED, of yellow complexion, about 14 or 16 years old, no clothes with him except what he has on, which are good. He says he belongs to John Reeves, who lives near Chester, S. C. He says he has been runaway about a week, and that it has been only about 5 or 6 weeks since he left Virginia and was making his way back. The big toe on his left foot is off. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away.

J. McCONAUGHEY, Sheriff.

Oct. 26, 1837.

50 Dollars Reward.

ABSCONDED from the subscriber in Barwell District, S. C., on the night of the 15th inst. a negro man named REUBEN, he also took with him a dark sorrel Mare about 13 hands high, said mare has a small star in her face, and has two saddle marks on her back.

Reuben is about 25 or 30 years of age, 6 feet high, dark complexion, speaks quick when spoken to, and when he left, had on a blue cloth coat, and a black hat with crapes around it. The subscriber bought said negro from a man who said his name was John Edwards, and that he lived in about 6 miles of Camden, he was travelling to Alabama, and had four slaves in company with him of which Reuben was one, he is also of opinion that said boy has by some means came up with his former master, and that he will endeavor to get him out of the state for the purpose of re-selling him. Any person taking up said negro, and lodging him in jail, and giving information thereof to me, at Blackville Post-office, Barnwell District S. C., shall receive the above reward.

SAMUEL REED.

Oct. 21, 1837.

The Cheraw Gazette, Charlotte Journal N. C. and Peoples Press, Augusta, Ga. will give the above 4 insertions and forward their accounts to the subscriber at the above P. O. for payment.

BEEF! BEEF! BEEF!

THE subscriber informs the citizens of Charlotte and its vicinity, that he still continues to furnish Fresh BEEF, on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings in each week. He has just received as fine a drove of cattle as ever was brought to this market, and as he is in the habit of taking his Beef around the town, he would take pleasure in serving any person who may feel disposed to encourage him. He hopes to receive a liberal share of patronage.

THOMAS GOODLAKE.

Oct. 7, 1837.

